

CITY OF OREM
BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION Minutes
June 23, 2014

COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Aaron Orullian	Chair
Carol Manwaring	Vice Chair
Rhonda Wilkinson	
Marlon & Ann Snow	
Jim & Barbara Campbell	
Judy Cox	
Sean Orullian	
Gayla Muir	
Brent Sumner	City Council Representative
Steve Weber	Staff Support
Debbie Lindsay	Clerical

EXCUSED – Judy Cox, Gayla Muir

ABSENT – Brent Sumner

Approval of minutes – Marlon Snow made a motion to approve the April 28, 2014 and May 19, 2014 minutes. Carol Manwaring seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously approved.

Members felt the parade was successful despite the delay due to cannon malfunction. They also thanked the volunteers who helped pass out candy along the parade route. Aaron will have small trophies made for those who participated with their classic cars. A suggestion was made to pre-load bags with candy for each block of the parade to meter out how much is passed out. It was suggested that we find a local nursery to lend some plants to fill the back of one of the pickup trucks. In return, we could give the nursery advertisement on the side of the truck. This will be implemented for next year's parade.

Miss Orem plans to plant the flowerbed in front of the City Center this Thursday. She will have help from the Orem High School Student Council. Commission members were asked to please show up in their green Beautification Commission shirts to lend a hand. Aaron will be there to take pictures. It was unknown what time she was expecting to start. Carol will find out and let the commission members know. Aaron will call Geniel Pugmire from the Daily Herald newspaper and ask her to cover this project.

Aaron has met with one of the City attorneys regarding the panhandling issue. He was told to not expect anything to happen with this issue until after the Utopia issue is resolved which should be by the end of the month. He was also told it would be okay to advertise the issue and put something in to the utility bill as well as posting signs regarding donating to reputable charities. It was recommended to speak with Karen McCandless as she works with some of these charities. Aaron will also speak with Judy about educating the public.

Carol spoke with Ryan Cook of Cook's Greenhouse regarding the hanging baskets. She handed out a breakdown of costs as well as possible partnerships with businesses on State St. Ryan suggested a different pot that holds more soil so the plants are more drought resistant. The watering truck will be surplus and sold at auction after this season. There are also problems with the tank and pump. Carol targeted some areas on the west side of State Street south of

Center St for flower pots next year. She will approach the business owners to find out if they are interested as well as if they have the ability to water the pots. She would like to place 20 pots next year. She would like input from commission members as to placement. Aaron made a motion to purchase 20 pots (22" pots) this fiscal year for placement next year. Jim seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously passed. Carol will purchase the pots from Cook's and contact Steve for a purchase order. A suggestion was made to purchase some heavy duty gas-powered pumps for the hanging pots watering system. Carol made a motion to purchase the pumps with the remaining money in the commission's budget. Sean seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

Commission members were reminded to get receipts in to Debbie for reimbursement asap as we are at the end of the fiscal year.

Commission members were reminded to get names, addresses and pictures of yard award winners to Debbie. Sean asked that any photos be forwarded to him also so he can post them on the FB page. He also asked for photos of the flowerbed planting are sent to him to be posted as well. Aaron wants photos as well for the City Council presentation. Aaron asked members to send him addresses of blighted properties, both residential and commercial. He will contact Officer Darcy Simmons, the neighborhood preservation officer, for further action.

Aaron will forward some Scout project ideas to Laura Bascom, City Volunteer Coordinator. These would include the "Welcome to Orem" sign on south State St. Commission members would like to see something happen with the west Center St hill such as xeriscaping. Steve feels this would be cost prohibitive.

There is a vacancy on the commission at present time. Steve asked that any suggestions be sent to him. Also Midtown Village should go under development soon. Other developments in Orem include a Dairy Queen going in near Harmon's on 800 N. Taco Bell on Center St and Orem Blvd will be relocating to a pad in front of Target. The old Taco Bell location will become a chicken restaurant, but Steve wasn't sure the name of the business. There are also proposals for an intermodal transport hub near UVU. It would be from the Frontrunner station and would go up University Parkway to UVU, then on to BYU and the Provo Towne Mall. This is still in planning stages and still needs approval.

Rhonda made a motion to adjourn. Carol seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously passed.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 28, 2014.